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MEMORANDUM

TO:	Rachel Loftin, EPA Region IX					
FROM:	Karen Ladd, Ecology and Environment, Inc. **Y					
DATE:	November 6, 1990					
SUBJECT:	Completed Work					
cc:	Marcia Brooks, E & E FIT					
Attached is	Attached is the following completed:					
PA	PA Review SSI LSI SIRe					
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Site Name: Custom Chrome						
EPA ID #: CAD983566134						
City, County: Morgan Hill, Santa Clara County						
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PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT SUMMARY REPORT

SUBMITTED TO:

Rachel Loftin, EPA Region IX Site Assessment Manager

PREPARED BY:

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Karen Johnson, Ecology and Environment, Inc.

DATE:

November 6, 1990

SITE:

Custom Chrome

16100 Jacqueline Court Morgan Hill, CA 95037 Santa Clara County

TDD#:

F9-9008-080

BPA ID#:

CAD983566134

PROGRAM ACCOUNT#: FCA1598PAA

FIT REVIEW/CONCURRENCE: Karen Jadd November 12, 1990

cc: FIT Master File

Don Plain, California Dept. of Health Services

INTRODUCTION

Under the authority of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has tasked Ecology and Environment, Inc.'s Field Investigation Team (FIT) to conduct a Preliminary Assessment Summary Report of Custom Chrome in Morgan Hill, California. This report summarizes FIT's investigative efforts.

SITE SUMMARY

Custom Chrome has operated as a motorcycle parts distributor at 16100 Jacqueline Court in Morgan Hill, California, since July 1987. Before moving onto this property, Custom Chrome requested a public service easement to run between the two neighboring sites, Olin Corporation (EPA ID# CAD009183831) and Asco Air Conditioning (EPA ID# CAD983566142). Three soil borings were drilled and methylene chloride was found in the

soil samples from the borings near the border of the Custom Chrome facility within the easement. FIT conducted a Screening Site Inspection (SSI) of Olin Corporation on August 10, 1989. As a result of the SSI Custom Chrome was considered a potential source for the methylene chloride contamination due to its location, and was subsequently entered into the CERCLA Information System (CERCLIS). EPA tasked FIT to conduct a Preliminary Assessment of Custom Chrome to investigate the possibility that this site may have contributed to the alleged methylene chloride contamination.

It does not appear that Custom Chrome has ever stored, handled, or disposed of hazardous materials at the site. Custom Chrome's sole operation consists of storing and distributing motorcycle parts. The site appears to have been used for agricultural purposes prior to its purchase by Custom Chrome. The facility is comprised of a warehouse and administrative offices. The warehouse has cement flooring and is used to store finished products, some of which are chrome-plated. The site is not currently listed in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) database as of May 8, 1990.

Since there has been no evidence of any hazardous waste generated, transported, stored, or disposed of at the Custom Chrome site, it does not appear that the site contributed to the alleged methylene chloride contamination in the area.

EPA RECOMMENDATION

	<u>Initial</u>	Date
No Further Remedial Action Planned under CERCLA	RL	12/18/90
Higher-Priority SSI under CERCLA		
Lower-Priority SSI under CERCLA		
Defer to Other Authority (e.g., RCRA, TSCA, NRC)		

Notes:

CONTACT LOG

Facility Name: Custom Chrome Facility ID: CAD983566134

Name	Affiliation	Phone #	Date	Information
Mario Battesalla	Custom Chrome	408-778-0500	9/4/90	See Contact Report.
Lorraine Welk	Morgan Hill Chamber of Commerce	408-779-9444	9/4/90	The company has been in existence since 1987 on 16100 Jacqueline Court and has been involved in storing and distributing motorcycle parts.
Tyrone Cruz	Custom Chrome	408-778-0500	9/5/90	The building consists of a warehouse and a sales and marketing office. The warehouse has cement flooring and the products are well protected. The company does not dispose of any hazardous waste.
File Clerk	Regional Water Quality Control Board		9/6/90	File search conducted in person. No file found on Custom Chrome.
Mario Battesalla	Custom Chrome	408-778-0500	9/7/90	See Contact Report.
Dorris Cruz	California Dept. of Health Services	415-540-2122	9/17/90	No file found on Custom Chrome.

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CONTACT REPORT

AGENCY/AFFILIATION: Custom Chrome							
DEPARTMENT:							
ADDRESS/CITY: Morgan Hill							
COUNTY/STATE/ZIP: Santa Clara County, California							
CONTACT(S)	TITLE	PHONE					
1. Mario Battesalla	facility manager	408-778-0500					
2.							
E & E PERSON MAKING CONTACT:	Madhulla Logan	DATE: 9/4,7/90					
SUBJECT: Site operations							
SITE NAME: Custom Chrome	EPA ID#: CAD983566134						

9/4/90

Custom Chrome stores and distributes motorcycle parts, some of which are chrome-plated and obtained predominantly from Europe.

9-7-90

Custom Chrome has been in existence since July 1, 1987 at 16100 Jacqueline Court, Morgan Hill. The site was agricultural prior to its purchase by Custom Chrome.

REPORT TRANSMITTAL

Date delivered to H-8-1: 11-14-40

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A copy of this Preliminary Assessment Summary for **Custom Chrome** site at 16100 Jacqueline Court, Morgan Hill, should be sent to the following agencies and individuals:

Don Plain Department of Health Services

Bruce Wolfe Regional Water Quality Control Board 1800 Harrison Avenue Oakland, California 94612

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